

Capital Project Sales Tax

Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 1 March 2016

Meeting Location: Veterans Center
Greenwood County

Meeting Time 13:00

Committee Members Present: Jan Owens, Paul Bagnoli, John Fredella, Robert Jennings, and Steve Holmes

Paul Bagnoli, the Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 13:07 by reading the following statements: In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of this meeting's date, time, location, and agenda was posted outside the main entrance of the Greenwood County Courthouse and the Greenwood County Library. Agendas were faxed to The Index-Journal, to local radio stations, and were posted on the Greenwood County website calendar.

Paul began the meeting by welcoming the committee members and guests.

The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the meeting on 2/18/16. A motion to approve was made and seconded. A voice vote approved the minutes unanimously.

The first application reviewed was a request from the 8th Circuit Solicitor for the replacement of their current operating software with a new web-based system currently being used by 5 other Circuit's in the state. The questioning centered on how the system would allow the Solicitor's office to be more efficient, work directly with law enforcement and reduce the case backlog. One area the committee found of concern was the fact the 8th Circuit includes Abbeville, Laurens and Newberry county, yet the Greenwood County budget bears the bulk of the Circuit's costs. The committee suggested that the other counties in the Circuit be encouraged to share more of the costs, specifically for any licensing and maintenance costs.

The next item was the follow-up on the application for the renovations to the detention center. The originator is struggling to get a specific quote for the doors because the current hinge locations require the new doors to be custom made. The current door specifications are being researched and a quote will be forthcoming.

The next item was a follow-up on the application for Records Management Software submitted by the

City Manager. Discussion ensued about the breath of system analysis that would be required before potential vendors would submit a definitive quote. The committee wants assurance that the \$1.2 million application does, in fact, represent the cost of such a system as well as all cost associated with implementation. (Please see the note below)

Following these discussions, the committee did a "straw poll" on the applications deemed most important and least important to move forward. There was substantial support for the Radio system and the Fire Service Master Plan. There was very little support for the Emergency Services Public Safety Headquarters.

The committee agreed to formalize a ranking and complete its work at the next meeting.

It is scheduled for March 8th at 1PM.

The meeting adjourned at 14:10.

NOTE: In subsequent discussions between the City Manager and the Chairman that the system analysis for a thorough vendor bid would not be completed by the next meeting. In addition, the City Manager forwarded the BJA guidelines for RMS software planning and acquisition. The Chairman was satisfied that one more week would not be adequate. The City Manager assured the Chair that the \$1.2 Million requested would provide complete funding for the system, data migration and hardware necessary to fully implement the system. It was noted the dispatch already uses one of the vendor modules that would not need to be purchased again.